

TOWN OF RICHMOND
NEW HAMPSHIRE
Office of Selectmen



November 9, 2015 Meeting

Selectmen present: Carol Jameson, Kathryn McWhirk and Christin Daugherty

Meeting opened at 5:30pm

*****Administrators Report**

Wood updated the Board on:

Notification from resident the need for new plexi-glass for bulletin board at Vet's Hall.

The road into Bennett Town forest has been cabled off and a "No motorized vehicles allowed" notice posted. Board gave permission to remove the cable and sign. Posting was done without Board's approval.

Request for lightbulbs to be replaced at the Vet's Hall before the Holiday Fair scheduled for Saturday. 3 of the 6 bulbs are out.

Warrant is ready to be printed once the Tax Collector reviews warnings and commitment.

Town received a bid for the "Gulf" sign (not the post) from a local resident. Wood submitted the proposal to John Boccalini who has been charged by the Board of Selectmen to handle. Boccalini to contact the resident.

*****Approve Manifest**

McWhirk moved; Daugherty 2nd; the Board voted to approve the accounts payable/payroll manifest dated Nov. 9, 2015 for the period 11/03/15-11/09/15 in the amount of \$14,557.28.

*****Selectmen**

McWhirk updated the Board on the Town Clerk's concern about using the "rear" entrance (located by her office). Often times the Clerk lets people exit that way if they need to retrieve anything from their vehicle. Board discussed Town Clerk's concerns and feels use should be left as is.

Board discussed care taking issues of "little red house". Board is proposing a volunteer yard clean-up event; discussed potential volunteers to contact.

School portion of tax bill increased because Troy/Fitzwilliam enrollment decreased so the % for Richmond increased from 8% to 8.9%. There will be an article in next month's Rooster explaining.

Jameson moved; Daugherty 2nd; the Board voted to sign the Tax Collector's Warrant/Property Tax Levy amounting in the sum of \$1,450,002.08. Tax bills are due 12/11/15.

*****Budget Proposals**

- Library 2016 request = \$35,900.00 (2015 approved budget = \$34,819.00). Board discussed CIP with Trustees and rated priority.
- Supervisors of the Checklist 2016 request = \$2341.00 (2015 approved budget = 877.00) Increase is due to 4 elections scheduled in 2016 vs. 1 in 2015. Generally you budget for elections scheduled plus 1.
- Moderator 2016 request = \$(budget not submitted at this time) (2015 approved budget = \$1750.00)

Public Appointments

Ben Tilton/State Rep met with the Board, reference updating on the activities in Concord.

Sandra Gillis/RCDA met with the Board, reference updating the Board on activities at 4 Corners Store. In addition, the Town has been approved for Phase I assessment through Brownfields program. This assessment will be the report that the property is clean of hazardous waste. The Town will be able to market the property to a potential buyer assuring the area is clean and the new owner would be without liability. This assessment will be at no cost to the Town.

In addition, Gillis stated the Town is poised to receive an additional \$10,000.00 towards the planning grant already received by the Town with the help of SWRPC.

The TAP grant was discussed. Town was approved, yet not funded. The Town/Board will need to decide whether to re-apply in 2017. This grant would be used for the walking trails voted on at 2015 Town Meeting. A match fund was established to help offset the match necessary to receive the grant.

John Boccalini met with the Board, reference Conservation Comm. meeting 11/4/15 with Kinder Morgan. Also updated Board on Coalition (pipeline) activities; proposed 2016 legal fees.

Marcus Beauregard/Health Officer met with the Board, reference timesheet and mileage he submitted. Jameson explained that traditionally the Health Officer receives a stipend of \$500.00 annually. The Board is open to a proposal of a budget for 2016, which could include mileage, training, salary, etc. for review.

Meeting adjourned at 8:51pm